



## Minority degrees statewide

Status: Making progress

**Figure 3.12 Degrees and other credentials awarded to racial-ethnic minorities by level**

	AY98	AY99	AY00	AY01	AY02	AY03	AY04	AY05	AY06	AY07	9-Yr. Change
Certificate	21	14	26	191	420	367	499	621	1,244	1,304	583%*
Diploma				84	96	124	149	197	188	147	75%*
Associate	372	359	356	341	418	501	536	515	597	607	63%
Bachelor's	1,061	1,079	1,160	1,125	1,369	1,291	1,451	1,507	1,556	1,676	58%
Post-Bac Cert.	1	2	3	1	4	9	8	1	9	16	1,500%
Master's/Specialist	285	322	340	326	388	436	544	592	532	534	87%
Post-Master's Cert.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	NA**
Doctoral	21	17	23	17	26	23	62	49	44	61	190%
Professional	78	74	72	79	73	75	78	86	83	79	0.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>2,164</b>	<b>2,794</b>	<b>2,826</b>	<b>3,327</b>	<b>3,569</b>	<b>4,254</b>	<b>4,427</b>	<b>141%</b>

\*A 6-year percent change is calculated because reliable data is not available before AY01.

\*\*A 9-year percent change is not calculated because credentials were not awarded in the first or last year.

Source: CPE Comprehensive Database

### Highlights

- Total degrees and other credentials awarded to racial-ethnic minorities increased 4% over last year, from 4,254 in 2005-06 to 4,427 in 2006-07.
- Over the decade, Kentucky postsecondary education increased its performance on this indicator by 141%.
- The largest growth was at the associate level and below, primarily due to the entrance of KCTCS into the system.
- At the baccalaureate level and above, bachelor's degrees increased 58%, master's/specialist degrees increased 87%, and doctoral degrees increased 190%.

### About this measure

This indicator tracks the postsecondary education system's progress in closing achievement gaps among its students and increasing access to higher education. The indicator measures the total number of degrees and credentials awarded to racial-ethnic minorities in an academic year (July 1 through June 30). Racial-ethnic categories include African American, Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaskan Native.